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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 5 January 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-17, 19-27, 30-33, 35, 36, 38-40, and 42-46 (to be renumbered 1-40).
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 09 October 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Jerry L. Mahurin (Registration No. 34,661) on June 10, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tapes..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read many** type tapes—*

In claim 9, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tape..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read many** type tape—*

In claim 10, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tape media..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read many** type tape media—*

In claim 17, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tapes..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read many** type tapes—*

In claim 19, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tape media..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read many** type tape media—*

In claim 35, the recitation "...using a write density differing from standard type tapes of a same format..." has been replaced by *—using a write density differing from **non-write once read***

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many type tapes-- and “...writing data to said tape using said write density differing from standard tapes of a same format...” has been replaced by -- writing data to said tape using said write density differing from **non-write once read many tapes--**

In claim 40, the recitation “...a tape using said write density differing from standard tapes of a same format...” has been replaced by –a tape using said write density differing from **non-write once read many type tapes--**

In claim 42, the recitation “...tape cartridge differing from standard tape media of a same format...” has been replaced by –tape cartridge differing from **non-write once read many tape media--**

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-17, 19-27, 30-33, 35, 36, 38-40, and 42-46 (to be renumbered as 1-40) are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner’s statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 1, 9, 10, 17, 19, 35, and 42, claims teach a write once read many magnetic tape system with method, apparatus, and means. The distinguishing elements of the claims are providing a write once read many tape cartridge comprising an internal memory device wherein by reading the internal device to identify the tape cartridge as formatted as write once read many with a write density of the tape differing non-write once read many type tapes. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

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Conclusion


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniell L. Negrón whose telephone number is 571-272-7559.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:30-6:00) alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David R. Hudspeth can be reached on 571-272-7843. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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